



**Celebrate Yorktown Committee Donates \$10,000
Toward Creation of Washington, Comte de Grasse Statues**

Yorktown, April 25 – The Celebrate Yorktown Committee (CYC) has announced a donation of \$10,000 toward the creation and display of two life-size statues depicting General George Washington and Admiral Francois Joseph Paul, Comte de Grasse, the two key players in achieving the surrender of the British at the Battle of Yorktown in 1781.

The statues, commissioned by the Yorktown Foundation and being created by local artist Cyd Player, will be erected in a central plaza of the Riverwalk Landing project, a new retail development now under construction along the York River waterfront in historic Yorktown Village. The grand opening of the project is scheduled for Memorial Day weekend, with the statues scheduled to be installed this coming fall.

“The Celebrate Yorktown Committee is pleased to make this contribution to the statues of General Washington and Admiral deGrasse,” said Mike Litterst, co-chairman of the Celebrate Yorktown Committee. “Not only will they enhance the new Riverwalk Landing, but will also serve as a reminder of the important role Yorktown played in the development of our nation. We look forward to other groups and organizations joining us in the funding of this important project.”

Artist Player, a York County resident, has thoroughly researched her two subjects, including the likely stance and demeanor they might have assumed, and the details of the clothing they would have worn. The statues will be life-size, and will depict Washington showing a map to a listening Comte de Grasse.

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